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SUBJECT: VISIT OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION
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1. THEODORE D. TAUBENECK, CORPORATE DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL FINANCE, ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL, PITTSBURG, PLANS TO VISIT SAUDI ARABIA AND KUWAIT DURING PERIOD OCTOBER 13-22 TO EXPLORE POSSIBLE INTEREST OF GOK AND SAG IN PROVIDING FINANCING FOR (A) ROCKWELL PRODUCTION IN RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES, (B) IN NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES, SUCH AS SUDAN AND PAKISTAN, AND (C) LONG-TERM CAPITAL NEEDS IN US. (ROCKWELL MANUFACTURES HIGH-TECHNOLOGY METAL PRODUCTS.)

2. FOLLOWING VISIT TO KUWAIT, TAUBENECK PLANS TO ARRIVE JIDDA EVENING OCTOBER 18. AFTER CONSULTING IN EMBASSY WITH BUTCHER AND EBLAN, HE HOPES TO MEET WITH ACTING MINISTER OF FINANCE ABA AL-KHAYL AND SAMA DIRECTOR QURAYSHI, PLUS POSSIBLY CPO PRESIDENT HISHAM NAZAR, AND UNCLASSIFIED

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WILL BEREADY TO GO TO RIYADH FOR THIS PURPOSE, AS

NECESSARY. WE HAVE EXPLAINED SAUDI POLICY OF NOT
CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL IN COUNTRY BUT
HAVE SAID THAT EMBASSY WOULD, IF POSSIBLE, ALERT RESPECTIVE
OFFICES TO FACT THAT TAUBENECK WILL BE REQUESTING
APPOINTMENTS IMMEDIATELY AFTER ARRIVAL. (KUWAITI

AMBASSADOR, SAYS TAUBENECK, HAS REQUESTED APPOINTMENTS FOR
HIM WITH KUWAITI OFFICIALS.)

3. TAUBENECK HANDLING OWN HOTEL RESERVATIONS. INGERSOLL

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